

Senate Study Bill 1115 - Introduced

SENATE FILE _____
BY (PROPOSED COMMITTEE ON
STATE GOVERNMENT BILL BY
CHAIRPERSON SMITH)

A BILL FOR

1 An Act prohibiting payment of workers' compensation benefits
2 to alien dependents designated as terrorists pursuant to
3 federal law or subject to federal arrest warrants.
4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

1 Section 1. Section 85.51, Code 2021, is amended to read as
2 follows:

3 **85.51 Alien dependents in foreign country.**

4 In case a deceased employee for whose injury or death
5 compensation is payable leaves surviving an alien dependent
6 or dependents residing outside the United States, the consul
7 general, consul, vice consul, or consular agent of the nation
8 of which the ~~said~~ dependent or dependents are citizens, or
9 the duly appointed representative of such consular official
10 resident in the state of Iowa, shall be regarded as the
11 exclusive representative of such dependent or dependents, and
12 ~~said the~~ consular officials or their representatives shall
13 have the same rights and powers in all matters of compensation
14 which ~~said the~~ nonresident aliens would have if resident in
15 the state of Iowa. However, compensation shall not be payable
16 to a dependent who is designated as a terrorist by a federal
17 agency pursuant to applicable federal law or who is subject to
18 an arrest warrant issued by a federal agency.

19 EXPLANATION

20 The inclusion of this explanation does not constitute agreement with
21 the explanation's substance by the members of the general assembly.

22 This bill prohibits payment of workers' compensation
23 benefits to a surviving alien dependent of a person to whom
24 such benefits were payable, if the dependent is not a resident
25 of the United States and is also either designated as a
26 terrorist by a federal agency pursuant to applicable federal
27 law or subject to an arrest warrant issued by a federal agency.